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## CENTRAL LIBRARY HOSTS AUTHOR TALK ABOUT WORLD WAR II & THE PERSONAL STORIES OF THOSE WHO SURVIVED IT

Library Author Series Features Books by Local Writers and Thinkers

**SAN DIEGO** – The City of San Diego Public Library will host an author talk featuring San Diego author Robert M. Barrows and his new book, *World War II As We Remember It: An International Perspective*, on Friday, April 16 at 2:00 p.m. in the second floor meeting room of the Central Library, located at 820 E Street in downtown San Diego. This event is free to the public.

World War II as We Remember It presents a unique history of the second World War through the experiences of 35 men and women from different countries who, as children or adults, civilians or combatants, experienced the war at home or abroad. For all, the war was a time of anxiety and deprivation. For some, it was a desperate struggle for survival. Their personal stories create a varied, composite picture of what World War II meant to people in many different lands. The diverse stories and experiences reflect the locales including North America, Europe, and Asia where the war was either waged or fought. Many people interviewed in the book reside in the San Diego area and will be present with the author.

Author Robert M. Barrows is a retired public school teacher. His 40-year teaching career has included schools in Massachusetts, international schools in Geneva, Switzerland, and at the United Nations in New York City, and private schools in the Middle East, Utah, and Hawaii. Since his retirement, he has devoted himself to writing. This is his fourth book. Copies of the book will be available for purchase and signing by the author.

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